

Upcoming Airport Advisory Board Meetings

- ◆ Monday, May 9 at 7 p.m.
- ◆ Monday, June 13 at 7 p.m.
- ◆ Monday, July 11 at 7 p.m.

Agenda packets are available the Friday before each meeting.



Gardner ASCEND

current topics >>>

Hangar rate study used to determine possible rental increase

A study was conducted by GBA Architects Engineers to help determine if a rate increase for hangar rentals at the Gardner Municipal Airport is warranted. It is essential for airports to charge fees that are both fair for tenants, while at the same time helping to cover the costs of operating the airport. The Airport Advisory Board reviewed the study's findings in April. City staff will bring recommendations back to the board in May. A review by City Council will follow in June.

City launches airport newsletter

Keeping readers informed about GMA happenings

Welcome to the first issue of the Gardner Municipal Airport (GMA) newsletter *ASCEND*, the City of Gardner's official newsletter regarding GMA happenings. Under the direction of the Governing Body, the newsletter was created to ensure important information reached interested readers regarding GMA news, events and announcements. The newsletter will be provided quarterly—January, April, July and October.

The purpose of the city's new airport newsletter is to keep readers informed about airport news, events and announcements.

The newsletter will be available online at www.gardnerkansas.gov. Hard copies will be available at the Gardner Municipal Airport. If you're interested in receiving a hard copy sent directly to your home or if you have airport topics you would like to see covered in the newsletter, contact the Public Works Department at 913.856.0914 or srose@gardnerkansas.gov. Future topics will also be collected at the Airport Advisory Board Meetings.

Minimum Standards Update:

City staff will present revised Minimum Standards for the Gardner Municipal Airport at the May 2 City Council Meeting. Minimum Standards outline the rules and regulations that help to ensure the safe use of the airport facility. If the revised minimum standards are approved, they will go into effect once a new ordinance is passed by the council.



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Gardner Municipal Airport is located at 31905 W. 175th St., Gardner, KS 66030

Gathering of Eagles in June

On June 17 and 18, the 'Gathering of Eagles' event will occur at the Gardner Municipal Airport. This is the 21st year for the event, featuring replica World War I aircraft. The event will showcase approximately 20 aircraft. Planes will be displayed and some will fly on the first day of the event. The event is free. Food vendors will not be available. Contact an Airport Advisory Board Member for more details.

Vintage Fly-in at the GMA

The annual Greater Kansas City Area Vintage Fly-in will happen on June 24 and 25 at the Gardner Municipal Airport. This event has become the largest vintage and antique airplane fly-in in the area. Attendees can expect food, activities and items to purchase. For more information, visit www.vaa16.com/#!our-fly-in/cojd or contact Kevin Pratt at 816.985.3248, kpratt@vaa16.com; or Jeff Sullens at 816.729.3151, skydevil154@gmail.com.

In the Spotlight

If you frequent the Gardner Municipal Airport (GMA), you're bound to know Dale Rose. That's because Dale has served on the Airport Advisory Board for more than 10 years and has also maintained an



Dale Rose

airplane supply business out at the GMA for 16 years. Matter of fact, Dale spends most of his week at the GMA with his business running from Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"I wouldn't spend my time any other way," Dale said. "I love planes, and I also enjoy spending time with my airport family and providing them with services and supplies that help them maintain their planes."

Dale became an enthusiast of planes back in grade school.

"I've always been fascinated with planes as I use to stop whatever I was doing and watch them pass by overhead," he said.

"And then, when I went into high school, I began building model airplanes, and those models eventually became a reality when I got my own plane."

It wouldn't surprise anyone to know that Dale's career centered around his love for planes and flying. Dale spent 40 years in the military as a pilot mechanic.

"As a pilot mechanic, I not only performed helicopter maintenance, but I was then required to test fly the helicopters," he said. "During my Army Reserves time, I flew for a corporation for a few years since the reserves was part-time."

When asked what he would like people to know about the GMA, Dale said: "The airport has become more than just a place where we store our planes, but it's a place where I spend time with my family and friends who share a common bond. To me, that's what makes the GMA the best little airport in Kansas."



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The City is looking to reestablish the flight school at the Gardner Municipal Airport. The city is working with an independent party interested in providing this service. More details to follow in an upcoming issue of ASCEND.

Check out the City's new website at www.gardnerkansas.gov. There are pages dedicated to the Gardner Municipal Airport, providing an overview of the airport as well as hangar information. Our airport newsletter will also be posted on the new website. Take some time to navigate through the pages and contact Airport Manager Brian Faust to provide feedback or ask questions regarding the information highlighted on the site.



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